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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Thursday, 28 November 1991

[No meetings are scheduled at Headquarters on Thursday, 28 November 1991, *Thanksgiving Day.*]

Friday, 29 November 1991

SECURITY COUNCIL

11.30 a.m.	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room
Morning*	3019th meeting	Security Council Chamber
Morning**	3020th meeting (closed)	Security Council Chamber

* Following the adjournment of the consultations of the whole of the Council.

** Following the adjournment of the 3019th meeting of the Council.

MILITARY STAFF COMMITTEE

11 a.m.-1 p.m.	1210th meeting (closed)	Conference Room E

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Forty-sixth session

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

Informal consultations on draft proposals A/C.2/46/L.71 (*item 77 (e)*); A/C.2/46/L.66 and L.69 (*item 82*)

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

Informal consultations on draft proposals A/C.2/46/L.21 (*item 12*); A/C.2/46/L.75 (*item 78*); A/C.2/46/L.80 (*item 79*)

SECOND COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

11.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on draft proposals A/C.2/46/L.52, L.56 (*item 77 (a)*); A/C.2/46/L.63 (*item 12*); A/C.2/46/L.53 (*item 77 (a)*; A/C.2/46/L.40 (*item 80*); A/C.2/46/L.31 (*item 12*); A/C.2/46/L.38 (*item 81*); A/C.2/46/L.34 (programme budget implications: A/C.2/46/L.41)

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	55th meeting	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	56th meeting	Conference Room 1

1. Report of the Economic and Social Council [12]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/46/L.62

2. Human rights questions [98]

(a) Implementation of human rights instruments

Action on the following draft proposals: A/C.3/46/L.41 (programme budget implications in A/C.3/46/L.66); A/C.3/46/L.42 (programme budget implications in A/C.3/46/L.66); A/C.3/46/L.45; A/C.3/46/L.47 (programme budget implications in A/C.3/46/L.66); A/C.3/46/L.49; A/C.3/46/L.52

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms

Action on the following draft resolutions: A/C.3/46/L.26* (reissued) (programme budget implications in A/C.3/46/L.35); A/C.3/46/L.34/Rev.1; A/C.3/46/L.37; A/C.3/46/L.38; A/C.3/46/L.39/Rev.1; A/C.3/46/L.44;A/C.3/46/L.46;A/C.3/46/L.48;A/C.3/46/L.50; A/C.3/46/L.54; A/C.3/46/L.55; A/C.3/46/L.56 (programme budget implications in A/C.3/46/L.65); A/C.3/46/L.63; A/C.3/46/L.59; A/C.3/46/L.60

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives

Action on the following draft resolutions: A/C.3/46/L.43; A/C.3/46/L.51; A/C.3/46/L.53; A/C.3/46/L.57; A/C.3/46/L.58; A/C.3/46/L.64

FIFTH COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 115 (Personnel questions)

FIFTH COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	43rd meeting	Conference Room 3

1. United Nations common system [116]

(A/46/30, A/46/275, A/C.5/46/28 and A/C.5/46/35; A/C.5/46/31 and A/C.5/46/45 (also agenda item 117); A/C.5/46/33 (also agenda items 107 and 117))

United Nations pension system [117]

(A/46/9, A/46/614 and A/C.5/46/15; A/C.5/46/31 and A/C.5/46/45 (also agenda item 116); A/C.5/46/33 (also agenda items 107 and 116))

2. Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors [104] (A/C.5/46/L.3)

3. Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1992-1993 [107]

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.5/46/L.3 on agenda item 104 (Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors) (A/C.5/46/48)

FIFTH COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

Afternoon*- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 113 (Pattern of conferences)

6.30 p.m.- 9.30 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations (agenda item to be announced)

* Following the adjournment of the 43rd meeting of the Fifth Committee.

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COMMITTEE ON THE EXERCISE OF THE INALIENABLE RIGHTS OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE

International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	182nd meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

OTHER MEETINGS

GROUP OF 77 OF THE WHOLE
(*on agenda item 82*)

10 a.m.- 11.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

ARAB GROUP OF THE WHOLE
(*at the ambassadorial level*)

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

ASIAN GROUP OF THE WHOLE

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Monday, 2 December 1991

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Forty-sixth session

10 a.m.	58th PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall

1. Policies of apartheid of the Government of South Africa [37]:

   (a) Report of the Special Committee against Apartheid (A/46/22);

   (b) Report of the Intergovernmental Group to Monitor the Supply and Shipping of Oil and Petroleum Products to South Africa (A/46/44);

(c) Reports of the Secretary-General (A/46/499, A/46/507, A/46/648);

(d) Report of the Special Political Committee (A/46/643).

2. United Nations Educational and Training Programme for Southern Africa: report of the Secretary-General (A/46/561) [102].

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SECOND COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

10 a.m. closed meeting
3 p.m. closed meeting
Conference Room 6

The open-ended ad hoc group for informal consultations on agenda item 137 (Restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in the economic, social and related fields) (A/46/578) will meet on Monday, 2 December 1991, from 3.30 p.m. to 6 p.m., on Wednesday, 4 December, from 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and on Friday, 6 December, from 3.30 p.m. to 6 p.m.

SECOND COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

10 a.m. closed meeting
3 p.m. closed meeting
Conference Room 7

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The 183rd meeting of the COMMITTEE ON THE EXERCISE OF THE INALIENABLE RIGHTS OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE will be held on Monday, 2 December 1991, at 11 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

FIFTH COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

10 a.m. closed meeting
6.30 p.m. closed meeting
Conference Room 5

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The AD HOC COMMITTEE OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE UNITED NATIONS RELIEF AND WORKS AGENCY FOR PALESTINE REFUGEES IN THE NEAR EAST will meet on Tuesday, 3 December 1991, at 3 p.m.

FIFTH COMMITTEE

3 p.m. 44th meeting
Conference Room 3

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The DISARMAMENT COMMISSION will hold its 1991 organizational session on Tuesday, 3 December 1991, at 10.30 a.m. in Conference Room 4. The provisional agenda is contained in document A/CN.10/L.29.

Regional groups are requested to expedite the nomination of their respective candidates for membership in the 1992 Bureau of the Commission and for the chairmanship of its four working groups.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

3 p.m. closed meeting
Conference Room 10

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The fourth session of the INTERGOVERNMENTAL NEGOTIATING COMMITTEE FOR A FRAMEWORK CONVENTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE will be held at United Nations Office at Geneva from 9 to 20 December 1991. The session will open on Monday, 9 December 1991, at 10.30 a.m. in Conference Room XIX. The provisional agenda for the session is contained in document A/AC.237/13*.

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United Nations Institute for Training and Research

The orientation course on the Security Council, organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research, will begin on Monday, 2 December 1991, a 10 a.m. in Conference Room 8.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

United Nations Development Programme

INTER-AGENCY CONSULTATIVE MEETING

The UNDP Inter-agency Consultative Meeting will be held from 2 to 4 December 1991 at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

GOVERNING COUNCIL

Informal consultations will be held on national execution and support costs successor arrangements on Thursday, 5 December 1991, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 2. The meeting is open to all members of the Programme.

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OTHER MEETINGS

There will be a closed meeting of the GROUP OF 27 OF THE GROUP OF 77 *(on agenda item 143)* on Monday, 2 December 1991, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 2.

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Briefing on solar energy, environment and development

The Office of the Director-General for Development and International Economic Co-operation would like to inform interested delegations and staff members of the United Nations that a briefing on solar energy, environment and development will be held on Tuesday, 3 December 1991, at 3.30 p.m. at United Nations Headquarters (conference room to be announced). The guest speaker will be Dr. Hermann Scheer, member of the Bundestag and President of the European Association of Solar Energy (EUROSOLAR). Further information can be obtained by calling 963-3015.

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International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People

Screening of films

In commemoration of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People, the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People has arranged the screening of a series of films from Friday, 29 November to Thursday, 5 December 1991 in the Dag Hammarskjöld Auditorium, at 1 p.m.

On Friday, 29 November, the following films will be screened:

About the UN: Palestine: short video exploring various aspects of the question of Palestine as an example of nationhood and international humanitarian assistance;

Palestinian Portraits: the film focuses on professionals who have lost their possessions, live outside their homeland but still regard themselves as Palestinians;

Interview with Guido de Marco: the video concerns the former President of the General Assembly's visit to the occupied territories.

Exhibition

At the request of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People, in commemoration of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People, the Office of the Permanent Observer for Palestine to the United Nations has prepared an exhibition to be displayed in the Public Lobby of the General Assembly Building from Friday, 29 November to Thursday, 5 December 1991.

The formal opening of the exhibition is scheduled from 2.45 p.m. on Friday, 29 November 1991 in the Public Lobby of the General Assembly Building.

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Wednesday, 27 November 1991

SECURITY COUNCIL

3018th meeting

Letter dated 24 November 1991 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/23239)

Letter dated 21 November 1991 from the Permanent Representative of Germany to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/23232)

Letter dated 26 November 1991 from the Permanent Representative of France to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/23247)

The Council adopted its agenda without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of Yugoslavia, at his request, to participate in the meeting without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President read out the text of a draft resolution (S/23245) which had been prepared in prior consultations of the Council.

The Council proceeded to the vote on the draft resolution as read out by the President (S/23245).

Decision: The draft resolution (S/23245) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 721 (1991).

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Forty-sixth session

56th plenary meeting

Appointment of members of the Joint Inspection Unit: note by the Secretary-General (A/46/107 and Corr.1) [18 (g)]

The President announced that, in accordance with article 3, paragraph 1, of the statute of the Joint Inspection Unit, the Dominican Republic and the USSR would propose candidates for appointment to the Joint Inspection Unit.

There remained more candidates than vacancies in the following regional groups: the Group of African States (Algeria and Egypt), the Group of Asian States (Jordan (endorsed) and the Syrian Arab Republic) and the Group of Western European and other States (Italy, Germany and Turkey).

The General Assembly proceeded to select by secret ballot one country from each of the three groups that, in accordance with article 3, paragraph 1, of the statute of the Joint Inspection Unit, would propose a candidate for appointment to the Joint Inspection Unit.

On the first round of balloting, having obtained the required majority, Algeria and Jordan, were selected to propose candidates.

The representatives of Germany and Turkey made statements.

As a result, being the only remaining candidate from the Group of Western European and other States, Italy was selected to propose a candidate.

The President announced that he would propose a list of five candidates to the Assembly for appointment to the Joint Inspection Unit after holding the consultations described in article 3, paragraph 2, of the statute of the Joint Inspection Unit.

The Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 18 (g).

The situation in the Middle East: reports of the Secretary-General (A/46/586, A/46/623-S/23204 and Corr.1, A/46/652-S/23225) [35]

The representatives of Finland, Jordan, Israel, New Zealand and Kuwait made statements.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 3369 (XXX) of 10 October 1975, the observer for the Organization of the Islamic Conference made a statement.

57th plenary meeting

The situation in the Middle East: reports of the Secretary-General (A/46/586, A/46/623-S/23204 and Corr.1, A/46/652-S/23225) [35]

The representatives of Pakistan, Albania, Botswana, Egypt, Japan, the Philippines, Turkey, Bahrain, Algeria, Malaysia, Australia, Hungary, Ukraine, Lebanon, Mozambique, Nigeria, Chile, Oman, the Syrian Arab Republic and Indonesia made statements.

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of Iraq, the Islamic Republic of Iran and the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya.

The President announced that draft resolutions submitted under this item would be considered at a later date to be announced in the *Journal*.

Organization of work

The President reminded members that consideration of agenda item 16 (Appointment of the Secretary-General) would take place on Tuesday, 3 December at 10 a.m. He announced that, following previous practice, the number of speakers would be limited to the chairmen of the regional groups, the Chairman of the Arab States and the representative of the host country. The President expressed the hope and expectation that their statements would not exceed 10 minutes.

As requested by the Chairman of the Third Committee, the Assembly decided to extend the mandatory deadline for the submission of all draft resolutions with programme budget implications to the Fifth Committee until 13 December.

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE 44th meeting

Consideration of and action on draft resolutions on international security agenda items 67 and 68

The Committee continued consideration of and took action on draft resolutions related to international security.

A statement was made by the representative of Malta, who introduced and orally revised draft resolution A/C.1/46/L.52.

Draft resolution A/C.1/46/L.52

The draft resolution as orally revised was adopted without a vote.

In explanation of position after the decision, statements were made by the representatives of the United States, Italy (who also spoke on behalf of France, Greece, Portugal and Spain), Canada, Lithuania, Estonia and Turkey.

Draft decision A/C.1/46/L.54

The representative of Yugoslavia made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft decision A/C.1/46/L.54. Consequently, the Committee did not take action on draft resolution A/C.1/46/L.53.

The draft decision was adopted without a vote.

The representative of Hungary made a statement.

In the exercise of the right of reply, statements were made by the representatives of Turkey and Cyprus. The representative of Cyprus also made a statement on a point of order.

45th meeting

Consideration of and action on draft resolutions on international security agenda items 67 and 68

Draft decision A/C.1/46/L.54

In explanation of position after the decision, a statement was made by the representative of Canada.

Conclusion of the Committee's work

Statements were made by the representatives of Yugoslavia (on behalf of the Group of Eastern European States), Jordan (on behalf of the Group of Asian States), Jamaica (on behalf of the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States), New Zealand (on behalf of the Group of Western European and Other States) and Gabon (on behalf of the Group of African States).

The Chairman made a statement.

SPECIAL POLITICAL COMMITTEE 29th meeting

Questions relating to information [75]

The Committee concluded its consideration of item 75 by taking action on the draft resolutions and the draft recommendation pertaining to the item (A/SPC/46/L.5, L.6, L.8 and A/46/21, paragraph 111).

Regarding the draft resolution submitted by the delegation of Costa Rica and contained in document A/SPC/46/L.8, the Chairman informed the Committee that in view of the statement by the representative of Costa Rica at the 9th meeting, held on 25 October, no action was required on draft resolution A/SPC/46/L.8, the text of which would be reflected in the Rapporteur's report on the item.

The Committee then proceeded to take action on the draft resolutions contained in documents A/SPC/46/L.5 and L.6.

The Chairman made reference to document A/SPC/46/L.7 containing the statement by the Secretary-General on the programme budget implications of draft resolution A/SPC/46/L.6.

The Acting Chairman of the Committee on Information introduced the draft resolutions contained in documents A/SPC/46/L.5 and L.6 and in the course of his statement made a proposal, on behalf of the Bureau of the Committee on Information and spokespersons of the regional groups and China, with regard to the re-allocation of certain elements of the Department of Public Information (DPI) budget to meet the expenses on the programme budget implications contained in document A/SPC/46/L.7, and further proposed that his statement be fully reflected in the Committee's report to the General Assembly.

Statements were made by the spokespersons of the Group of 77 (Ghana), the Group of Eastern European States (Ukraine), the Group of Western European and Other States (Ireland) and China, endorsing the statement by the Acting Chairman of the Committee on Information.

The Committee took a decision agreeing to the proposals made by the Acting Chairman of the Committee on Information and endorsed by the spokespersons of the Group of 77, the Group of Eastern European States, the Group of Western European and Other States and China.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolutions contained in documents A/SPC/46/L.5 and L.6 without a vote.

The representative of Yemen made a statement.

The Committee also adopted without a vote the draft recommendation contained in paragraph 111 of the report of the Committee on Information (A/46/21) concerning the membership of the Committee on Information.

The representative of Burkina Faso made a statement.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of item 75.

Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories [73]

The Committee continued and concluded its consideration of item 73 and heard statements by the representatives of Austria, Cuba, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Brunei Darussalam, Malaysia, Bahrain, Ukraine and the USSR.

The Committee then proceeded to take action on seven draft resolutions pertaining to the item (A/SPC/46/L.23/Rev.1 to L.29).

The representative of Bangladesh introduced, on behalf of the co-sponsors, the draft resolutions contained in documents A/SPC/46/L.23/Rev.1, L.27, L.28 and L.29.

The representative of Pakistan introduced, on behalf of the co-sponsors, the draft resolutions contained in documents A/SPC/46/L.24, L.25 and L.26.

Statements in explanation of vote before the vote were made by the representatives of Romania and the United States.

The Committee then proceeded to take a decision on the draft resolutions in documents A/SPC/46/L.23/Rev.1 to L.29.

The Committee adopted the draft resolutions as follows:

	Yes	*No*	*Abstentions*
A/SPC/46/L.23/Rev.1			
Operative paragraph 6 (recorded vote)	53	35	32
Draft as a whole (recorded vote)	75	4	43
A/SPC/46/L.24			
Operative paragraph 1 (recorded vote)	120	1	0
Draft as a whole (recorded vote)	118	1	3
A/SPC/46/L.25 (recorded vote)	118	1	3
A/SPC/46/L.26 (recorded vote)	116	2	2
A/SPC/46/L.27 (recorded vote)	118	1	3
A/SPC/46/L.28 (recorded vote)	116	1	3
A/SPC/46/L.29 (recorded vote)	117	2	3

Statements in explanation of vote after the vote were made by the representatives of Austria, the Netherlands (on behalf of the twelve members of the European Community), Sweden, Canada, Australia, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Uruguay, Norway and Spain (who indicated how he had intended to vote on operative paragraph 6 of draft resolution A/SPC/46/L.23/Rev.1).

The observer for Palestine made a statement.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of item 73.

Programme budget implications

The Chairman informed the members that in previous years, pursuant to rule 154 of the rules of procedure, a summary of the programme budget implications resulting from draft resolutions adopted by the Special Political Committee had been issued by the Secretariat. Since at this session, the Committee had received two written statements of programme budget implications (A/SPC/46/L.7 and L.10/Rev.1), there would be no additional document issued.

The Chairman also recalled that at the 20th and 25th meetings of the Committee, on 8 and 20 November, he had conveyed to members information provided by the Programme Planning and Budget Division in respect of the draft resolutions contained in documents A/SPC/46/L.11 (item 71) and A/SPC/46/L.13, L.16 and L.21 (item 72).

Concluding remarks

Statements were made by the representatives of Gabon (on behalf of the Group of African States), Jordan (on behalf of the Group of Asian States), Yugoslavia (on behalf of the Group of Eastern European States), Jamaica (on behalf of the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States) and New Zealand (on behalf of the Group of Western European and Other States.

The Chairman made a closing statement and declared that the Committee had concluded its work regarding all the items allocated to the Special Political Committee for its consideration at the forty-sixth session of the General Assembly.

SECOND COMMITTEE 52nd meeting

Introduction of the following draft resolutions:

Development and international economic cooperation [77]

(b) Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the 1990s

A/C.2/46/L.68

The representative of Ghana introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the Group of 77.

United Nations Conference on Environment and Development [78]

A/C.2/46/L.75

The representative of Ghana introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind [79]

A/C.2/46/L.80

The representative of Ghana introduced and orally revised the draft resolution on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

Special economic and disaster relief assistance: special programmes of economic assistance [84 (b)]

A/C.2/46/L.44

The Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Bozorgmehr Ziaran (Islamic Republic of Iran), reported on the results of informal consultations held on the draft resolution, which he orally revised. He also announced that the Central African Republic, Gabon and Turkey had joined as sponsors of the draft resolution.

The representative of Togo announced that his delegation wished to co-sponsor the draft resolution.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution as orally revised.

International assistance for the economic rehabilitation of Angola [85]

A/C.2/46/L.49

The Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Bozorgmehr Ziaran (Islamic Republic of Iran), reported on the results of informal consultations held on the draft resolution.

The representative of Vanuatu announced that her delegation wished to co-sponsor the draft resolution.

The representative of Angola made a statement.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution.

Implementation of the commitments and policies agreed upon in the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of the Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries [89]

A/C.2/46/L.13 and L.79

The Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Ioan Barac (Romania), introduced draft resolution A/C.2/46/L.79, submitted by him on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/46/L.13.

The Committee was informed that the programme budget implications contained in document A/C.2/46/L.19 did not apply to draft resolution A/C.2/46/L.79.

The Committee then adopted draft resolution A/C.2/46/L.79.

Draft resolution A/C.2/46/L.13 was consequently withdrawn by its sponsors.

Emergency assistance for the economic and social rehabilitation of Liberia [91]

A/C.2/46/L.43

The Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Bozorgmehr Ziaran (Islamic Republic of Iran), reported on the results of informal consultations held on the draft resolution, which he orally revised, and announced that Jamaica had joined as a sponsor of the draft resolution.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution as orally revised.

The representative of Liberia made a statement.

Development and international economic cooperation: environment [77 (e)]

The Committee began consideration of the Report of the Secretary-General on driftnet fishing, contained in document A/46/615 and Corr.1 and Add.1, and heard an introductory statement by the Under-Secretary-General and Special Representative of the Secretary-General for the Law of the Sea.

Statements were made by the representatives of New Zealand, Micronesia (also on behalf of Australia, Fiji, the Marshall Islands, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, the Solomon Islands and Vanuatu), Australia, Trinidad and Tobago, Canada, Japan, the United States and the USSR.

The representative of the Commission for the European Communities also made a statement.

Sponsorships

The following additional co-sponsorship was announced: A/C.2/46/L.39, Australia.

The representative of the United States announced that the Republic of Korea should have been listed as an original sponsor of draft resolution A/C.2/46/L.25/Rev.1, and that Belarus and Guatemala had joined in co-sponsoring the draft resolution. He further stated that the Democratic People's Republic of Korea had been erroneously listed as a sponsor of the draft resolution and that delegation's name should be deleted.

The representative of the United States also announced that the following delegations had joined in co-sponsoring draft resolution A/C.2/46/L.7/Rev.1: Antigua and Barbuda, Austria, Bahamas, Barbados, Cyprus, Chile, Czechoslovakia, Dominican Republic, Fiji, Israel, Marshall Islands, Mauritius, Namibia, Samoa, Trinidad and Tobago, Vanuatu and the USSR. The representatives of the Syrian Arab Republic and Papua New Guinea announced that their delegations also wished to co-sponsor the draft resolution.

THIRD COMMITTEE 53rd and 54th meetings

Note: The summary of the 53rd and 54th meetings of the Third Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1991/233).

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Corrigendum to the summary of the 52nd meeting of the Third Committee (see *Journal* No. 1991/231, p. 10): under *Organization of work* the paragraph should read

The Chairman informed the Committee that all pending draft proposals before the Committee (with the exception of draft resolution A/C.3/46/L.61) would be acted upon on Friday, 29 November. Draft resolution L.61 would be deferred for consideration until 9 December, when the Committee would resume its work to take up sub-item 94 (b) (Social development: crime prevention and criminal justice).

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS
Sixth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

TUESDAY, 26 NOVEMBER 1991

3rd meeting

Consideration of reports submitted by States Parties in accordance with articles 16 and 17 of the Covenant [7]

The Committee began its consideration of the Panama's initial reports concerning articles 6 to 9 and 13 to 15 (E/1984/6/Add.19 and E/1988/5/Add.9 respectively), of Panama's second periodic report on articles 10 to 12 (E/1986/4/Add.22) and additional information (E/1989/5/Add.5).

4th meeting

The Committee continued its consideration of the initial report of Afghanistan concerning articles 1 to 15 of the Covenant (E/1990/5/Add.8).

In accordance with rule 62 of the Committee's rules of procedure, representatives of the reporting States were present at the meetings and replied to questions raised and observations made by members of the Committee during the consideration of their respective reports.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Convention relating to the Status of Refugees, signed at Geneva on 28 July 1951

Accession: Czechoslovakia (26 November 1991)*

Protocol relating to the Status of Refugees, done at New York on 31 January 1967

Accession: Czechoslovakia (26 November 1991)*

United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances, concluded at Vienna on 20 December 1988

Ratification: Côte d'Ivoire (25 November 1991)*

Constitution of the World Health Organization, signed at New York on 22 July 1946

Acceptance: Lithuania (25 November 1991)*

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Exhibition

The Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) as part of the commemoration of its fortieth anniversary, is presenting, in collaboration with the Department of Public Information (DPI), an exhibition entitled "Four decades of international protection and care for refugees" (1951-1991) in the exhibition gallery of the General Assembly public lobby.

Taking UNHCR'S fortieth anniversary poster by the Belgian artist Folon as a leitmotiv, the exhibition highlights, with maps, photos and sculptures, the emergencies of the past 40 years, the new lives that have been found for many of the victims and the ongoing search for solutions for today's 17 million refugees. The exhibition is open every day until 30 November 1991.

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